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- 8 E-Mails

01.11.2010

From: **kevin galalae** (kgalalae@hotmail.com)  
Date: Monday, 1. November 2010 16:35:12  
To: Claude Scilley (The Whig Standard) (cscilley@thewhig.com)

Dear Mr. Scilley,

I would not expect any newspaper to print my article as I wrote it. Its length and format were necessary to relay not only the facts and the complexity of the issue but also to provide evidence that the facts are based on solid evidence. All I expect you is to print the essential facts and to inform Canadians of what is going on. As such, feel free to write an article that suits the format and space of your newspaper. My article will be printed in full in a Romanian magazine and will also be posted on the Internet. As a matter of fact, I prefer that the newspapers that agree to print my story do so in their own words and not mine. I am simply too close and too personally affected by this issue to have the necessary emotional distance. A more effective article will have to be written with absolute objectivity by a professional reporter.

I also urge you to consider the embarrassment Canada will suffer as a nation that prides itself on a free press and a vibrant democracy if a story such as mine could only find itself in print in foreign nations. While the UK is justified to want to suppress it - since it will have dire repercussions on their education system - Canada has no good reason to do so.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Kevin Galalae

01.11.2010

From: **Claude Scilley** (cscilley@thewhig.com)  
Date: Monday, 1. November 2010 15:22:10  
To: kevin galalae (kgalalae@hotmail.com)

You don't appear to understand our newspaper. Even if your piece had merit, we would never and have never published anything that long. We're a newspaper, not a magazine.

30.10.2010

From: **kevin galalae** (kgalalae@hotmail.com)  
Date: Saturday, 30. October 2010 05:21:38

To: Claude Scilley (The Whig Standard) (cscilley@thewhig.com)

Dear Mr. Scilley.

Apology accepted, but if you want redemption you will have to do better than that; you will have to publish the story and inform the Canadian public of what is going on and what is at stake. That, after all, is your duty. Until such time, your name stays in the article.

As for your persistence with the word “conspiracy”, I wish it were that simple. Had it been only a conspiracy it would have been confined to a few politicians. This is a confluence of negatives at a dangerous time in history.

Regards,

Kevin Galalae

29.10.2010

From: **Claude Scilley** (cscilley@thewhig.com)  
Date: Friday, 29. October 2010 17:55:43  
To: kevin galalae (kgalalae@hotmail.com)

I still say it's a specious stretch of logic to ascribe a conspiracy motive to someone who has neither interest nor opinion on a subject. All I can say is if these emails are genuine (I don't recall them) and if I didn't respond, it was only because I get between 300 and 400 emails each day and have enough trouble keeping up with the ones that genuinely fall into my bailiwick. I'm surprised and I apologize if I did not send you a note to explain that the subject was well beyond my purview as city editor. I may have forwarded them to the editor, in whose realm our op-ed page content falls. Again, I have no specific recollection.

If you think that putting my name in your piece helps to give it credibility I suppose I should be flattered but I don't think I'll be giving it any more thought. Clearly it's an important subject to you but I fail to see where it fits in our scope of news coverage.

29.10.2010

From: **kevin galalae** (kgalalae@hotmail.com)  
Date: Friday, 29. October 2010 03:00:47  
To: Claude Scilley (The Whig Standard) (cscilley@thewhig.com)

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My apologies, I forgot to attach the promised file.  
Regards,  
Kevin Galalae

29.10.2010

From: **kevin galalae** (kgalalae@hotmail.com)  
Date: Friday, 29. October 2010 02:59:27  
To: Claude Scilley (The Whig Standard) (cscilley@thewhig.com)

Dear Mr. Scilley,

Thank you for your prompt response. I guess you exist after all. Having tried and failed to meet with you, talk to you on the phone or communicate with you in writing, I was beginning to think you are but a ghost.

I will be more than happy to change your job title from “editor” to “city editor” for the sake of accuracy. As for your excuse that the subject holds no interest to you, I suggest you get more creative because that will not stand in a court of law should you choose to sue me for libel. The evidence shows that you went out of your way to deny me access to my local newspaper. To jog your ailing memory, I am attaching a file containing the emails I sent you. Of course, I could also get a copy of my telephone records to show you and a judge how many times I called your office. As I remember, it was at least four phone calls. I have also recorded the times and dates of the four visits to your office where on every occasion I was told you were in a meeting and that “*Mr. Scilley will call you back if you leave your number.*”

As newspaper editor you have a responsibility to report the news that affect Canadians and especially the news that affect the residents of this city and not the news that suit your personal interests. The newspaper is not your blog, Mr. Scilley. Your selectivity therefore smacks of self-serving control and can only be explained as active involvement in stifling news whose political content disturbs your corporate masters. Had your reason for not publishing my story been truly a case of a lack of interest in the subject, you would have told me so during one of the twelve opportunities I gave you (4 on the phone, 4 in writing, and 4 in person). How hard is it to say? *‘Mr. Galalae, the surveillance and censorship program you have uncovered is a story that does not excite me. I like to report the truly exciting stuff: the latest highway accident, last night’s fire, the location of tomorrow’s bingo game, and all the other stuff that my readers are burning to read about.’*

So you see, Mr. Scilley, with an excuse like that you will be laughed out of court. A more plausible excuse would have been to say that you lack manners and only return the phone calls that suit you, only meet with people who knock on your office door at least a dozen times, and only bother to write back if you personally have something to gain. That at least would have

been credible, though it would not have been worthy of your CV and would have revealed you as uniquely incompetent and negligent in your duties as editor.

Nevertheless, once the article is published I will send you a copy so you can proceed with a libel suit. That will enable me to subpoena your telephone records and to cross-examine you. I shall look forward to seeing you sweat in the deposition chair.

Regards,

Kevin Galalae

28.10.2010

From: **Claude Scilley** (cscilley@thewhig.com)

Date: Thursday, 28. October 2010 22:20:25

To: kevin galalae (kgalalae@hotmail.com)

Thank you for the opportunity to respond.

With reference to the sentence that includes my name, I don't believe I've seen so many mistakes in one sentence. I have never been the editor of the Whig-Standard; I know nothing of British universities, I have never discussed them with Mr. Milliken; terrorism or Middle East politics has never fallen under my purview as city editor or sports editor of this newspaper and I certainly have never engaged in a conspiracy thereto. The fact is the entire subject bores the heck out of me. I wouldn't have an opinion because the issue wouldn't interest me enough to form one.

As I'm sure you're aware, it is never the situation in cases of libel that the accused must prove things are incorrect. It is, after all, nearly impossible to prove a negative. The onus is on the person making the allegation to prove that the claims are correct. I can assure you no part of the reference to me is correct.

And I do consider the passage to be libellous.

On 28-Oct-10, at 4:01 PM, kevin galalae wrote:

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28.10.2010

From: **kevin galalae** (kgalalae@hotmail.com)

Date: Thursday, 28. October 2010 22:01:51

To: Claude Scilley (The Whig Standard) (cscilley@thewhig.com)

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Dear Mr. Scilley,

Your name appears in the enclosed article which is soon to be published.

If you believe you are being inaccurately portrayed then this is the time to say so, explain why and give evidence to the contrary.

If the article contains inaccurate information about your actions or personal details, you are now given the opportunity to correct these by offering your perspective and new data. You have 24 hours to send your reply.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Kevin Galalae